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SUBJECT: NEW POLITICAL PARTIES

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1. MINISTER OF LAND RECLAMATION IBRAHIM SHUKRI JULY 27
ANNOUNCED HE WILL ATTEMPT FOUND NEW POLITICAL PARTY
UNDER "SOCIALIST LABOR" LABEL. PARTY WILL BE HEIR TO
PRE-REVOLUTIONARY MISR EL FATAH. SHUKRI SAID HE WILL
RESIGN FROM SALEM'S CENTER PARTY.

2. COMMENT: MISR EL FATAH WAS QUADI-SOCIALIST, QUASI-
FASCIST ORGANIZATION, DRAWING MUCH OF ITS EARLY 1940'S
SUPPORT FROM STUDENTS. IT HAS LITTLE APPARENT BASE AT
MOMENT. SHUKRI, HIMSELF, IS HARDLY CHARISMATIC FIGURE,
WHILE HIS ASSOCIATE IN ENDEAVOR, AHMAD HUSSEIN, IS
CURRENTLY IN HOSPITAL PARALYZED. NEW PARTY UNLIKELY
CONSTITUTE CREDIBLE OPPOSITION.

3. SPEAKING TO EMBOFF JULY 27, FIKRI MAKRAM EBEID
(TIPPED BY PRESS AS ANOTHER POTENTIAL OPPOSITION FIGURE)
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SAID SADAT WILL OUTLINE IN GREATER DETAIL HIS POLITICAL
PLANS WITHIN NEXT 7-8 DAYS. EBEID, WHO HAD LENGTHY SESSION
WITH SADAT EARLIER IN WEEK, IMPLIED SALEM WOULD GO AND
CABINET, YET AGAIN, WILL BE RESHUFFLED. PROCESS, HOW-
EVER, WILL BE LENGTHY AND MAJOR CHANGES NOT LIKELY UNTIL
AFTER RAMADAN. EILTS

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